

The dove is distinctly a destroyer of grain and seed, and does not feast at all upon insects, and, therefore, is injurious rather than helpful to the planter and producer. In view of this situation, we trust the Legislature of the State of Texas will approve Senator F. Chas. Hume's bill, which has been recently introduced by him in the Senate, providing for the making of the open season for shooting doves in Texas to begin August 1.

Numerously signed.

EIGHTEENTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas,

Thursday, February 4, 1909.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment, Lieutenant Governor A. B. Davidson in the chair.

Roll call, quorum present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Adams.	Paulus.
Alexander.	Peeler.
Bruckfield.	Perkins.
Oster.	Reul.
Greer.	Senter.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Terrell of McLennan.
Hudspeth.	Thomas.
Hume.	Veale.
Kellie.	Ward.
Masterson.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Weinert.
Manchum.	Willacy.
Murray.	

Absent.

Bryan. Terrell of Bowie.
Sturgeon.

Absent—Excused.

Harper.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. H. M. Sears.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday, on motion of Senator Alexander, the same was dispensed with.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

By Senator Senter:

Senate bill No. 157, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the speedy and efficient enforcement of the liens of mechanics and artisans on the buildings, improvements and articles made or repaired by them, etc."

Read first time, and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

By Senator Mayfield:

Senate bill No. 158, A bill to be entitled "An Act to promote the safety of travelers and employees by compelling common carriers engaged in commerce by railroads within the State of Texas to equip their locomotives, tenders, cars and similar vehicles used in moving intrastate traffic within said State with certain safety devices and appliances, and providing penalties for violations of this act; and providing further, that employees of such carriers continuing in the service with notice or knowledge of such violations shall not be held to have assumed the risk of injuries resulting from the same, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time, and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

By Senators Terrell of McLennan and Weinert:

Senate bill No. 159, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of three members of the Senate by the Lieutenant Governor and four members of the House by the Speaker thereof, who shall constitute a committee on investigation to visit the penitentiaries located at Huntsville and Rusk, respectively, and such other places as convicts of the State may be detained, if in their judgment necessary, to the end that a thorough investigation of the penitentiary system may be made; providing for the recommendations as to the future employment of convict labor, empowering the committee to summon witnesses and administer oaths in the name of the State, and to employ expert accountants and such other help as needed. Their report, together with evidence taken, to be submitted to the Governor of this State when completed, and providing that said committee shall sit in vacation, and making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time, and referred to Committee on State Penitentiaries.

By Senator Sturgeon:

Senate bill No. 160, A bill to be entitled "An Act to require persons keeping billiard or pool rooms to keep an open house, and prescribing penalties for the violation of this act."

Read first time, and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 2.

Morning call concluded.

SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 43.

The Chair laid before the Senate, as pending business, Senate Joint Resolution No. 1.

As Senate bill No. 43 had been made a special order for this hour, the floor was yielded as to the joint resolution, and

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

Senate bill No. 43, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the commissioners courts of the several counties of Texas to create and establish navigation districts to improve rivers, creeks and streams, to construct and maintain canals and waterways to permit of navigation or in aid thereof; to order and hold elections for the purpose of voting on the establishment of such districts and authorizing the issuance of bonds and levy of tax and to issue bonds in payment for such improvements, and the maintenance thereof, and to levy and to collect taxes for the payment of such bonds and interest thereon; to appoint navigation and canal commissioners of such navigation districts for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of this act; granting the right of eminent domain to such navigation districts or navigation and canal commissioners, and authorizing the navigation and canal commissioners to acquire by purchase, gift or grant for such district title to any right of way and other property; authorizing the navigation and canal commissioners to employ engineers, assistant engineers and other employes and to employ counsel; to enter into contracts for such improvements; to agree or co-operate with the government of the United States, the proper department or officer thereof for the carrying out of such improvement or the supervision of the same, and for all things necessary for the maintenance of such districts according to the provisions of this act; repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report, which recommended a substitute bill, was adopted, on motion of Senator Kellie.

The Chair then laid before the Senate the

Substitute Senate bill No. 43, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the formation, creation and establishment of navigation districts to improve rivers, bays, creeks and streams, to construct and maintain

canals and waterways to permit of navigation or in aid thereof by the commissioners courts of the several counties in this State or by navigation boards; to provide for the creation and organization of navigation boards where a city or cities, or part or parts thereof, acting under special charter are included within the limits and boundaies of said navigation districts, and defining the powers of such navigation boards; authorizing the ordering and holding of elections for the purpose of voting on the establishment of such districts, and authorizing the issuance of bonds and levy of tax, and the issuance of bonds in payment for such improvements and the maintenance thereof, and the levying and collecting of taxes for the payment of such bonds and interest and sinking fund thereon; the appointment of navigation and canal commissioners of such navigation districts for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of this act; granting the right of eminent domain to such navigation districts or navigation and canal commissioners, and authorizing the navigation and canal commissioners to acquire by purchase, gift or grant for such district title to any right of way and other property; authorizing the navigation and canal commissioners to employ engineers, assistant engineers and other employes, and to employ counsel; to enter into contracts for such improvements; to agree or co-operate with the government of the United States, the proper department or officer thereof for the carrying out of such improvements or the supervision of the same, and for all things necessary for the maintenance of such districts according to the provisions of this act; and providing for entering upon lands for surveys and for all the purposes of this act, and prescribing penalties for violations of this act; repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Bill read second time, and ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Kellie, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—28.

Adams.	Cofer.
Alexander.	Greer.
Brachfield.	Hayter.
Bryan.	Holsey.

Hume.	Senter.
Kellie.	Stokes.
Masterson.	Sturgeon.
Mayfield.	Terrell of McLennan.
Meachum.	Thomas.
Murray.	Veale.
Paulus.	Ward.
Peeler.	Watson.
Perkins.	Weinert.
Real.	Willacy.

Absent.

Hudspeth. Terrell of Bowie.

Absent—Excused.

Harper.

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—25.

Adams.	Murray.
Alexander.	Paulus.
Brachfield.	Peeler.
Bryan.	Perkins.
Cofer.	Real.
Greer.	Stokes.
Hayter.	Terrell of McLennan.
Holsey.	Veale.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	Willacy.
Meachum.	

Absent.

Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Senter.	Thomas.
Sturgeon.	

Absent—Excused.

Harper.

Senator Kellie moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 263.

On motion of Senator Veale, the pending order of business (Senate Joint Resolution No. 1) was suspended, and the Senate took up, out of its order, House bill No. 263 by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Adams.	Hume.
Alexander.	Kellie.
Bryan.	Masterson.
Cofer.	Mayfield.
Greer.	Meachum.
Hayter.	Murray.

Peeler.	Veale.
Perkins.	Ward.
Real.	Watson.
Stokes.	Weinert.
Terrell of McLennan.	Willacy.

Nays—2.

Brachfield. Holsey.

Absent.

Hudspeth.	Sturgeon.
Paulus.	Terrell of Bowie.
Senter.	Thomas.

Absent—Excused.

Harper.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

House bill No. 263, A bill to be entitled "An Act to reorganize the Forty-seventh Judicial District and to create the Sixty-ninth Judicial District, to fix the time for holding the terms of the district courts in said districts, and to provide for the appointment of a district judge and a district attorney for the said Sixty-ninth Judicial District."

Bill read second time, and passed to a third reading.

Senator Veale moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended, and the bill be put on its third reading and final passage.

The motion was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—18.

Adams.	Paulus.
Alexander.	Peeler.
Bryan.	Perkins.
Cofer.	Real.
Hayter.	Veale.
Kellie.	Ward.
Masterson.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Weinert.
Meachum.	Willacy.

Nays—5.

Brachfield.	Murray.
Greer.	Stokes.
Holsey.	

Absent.

Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Terrell of McLennan.
Senter.	Thomas.
Sturgeon.	

Absent—Excused.

Harper.

FIRST HOUSE MESSAGE.

Hall of the House of Representatives,
Austin, Texas, February 4, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the
Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to
inform the Senate that the House has
passed the following bill:

House bill No. 69, A bill to be entitled
"An Act to levy an annual occupation
tax on the business of selling or offer-
ing for sale an intoxicating liquor by
soliciting orders therefor in any quanti-
ties whatever in any county, justice pre-
cinct, town, city or other subdivision of
a county where the sale of intoxicating
liquors shall be prohibited therein, also
levying an annual occupation tax for
the keeping, maintaining or operating
of any 'cold storage' or any such place
where intoxicating or non-intoxicating
liquors or beverages are kept on de-
posit for others under any kind of bail-
ment within the limits of any such local
option territory, providing for the is-
suanee of licenses and fixing the pen-
alties for the violation of this act, and
providing for injunction to prevent its
violation, and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully,

BOB BARKER,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

BILL READ AND REFERRED.

The Chair (Lieutenant Governor Dav-
idson) had referred, after its caption had
been read, the following House bill:

(See caption in above House message.)

House bill No. 69, referred to Com-
mittee on Finance.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 1.

The Chair then laid before the Senate,
as pending business,

Senate Joint Resolution No. 1, being
a resolution to amend Article 16 of the
Constitution of the State of Texas, by
adding thereto Section 58, when a ma-
jority of the qualified electors for mem-
bers of the Legislature of Texas at an
election for that purpose shall vote in
favor of the amendment.

Pending.

SECOND HOUSE MESSAGE.

Hall of the House of Representatives,
Austin, Texas, February 4, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the
Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to

inform the Senate that the House has
passed the following bill:

Senate bill No. 6, A bill to be entitled
"An Act to prescribe the time and fix
the terms for the holding of the terms
of court in and for the Sixty-fourth
Judicial District of Texas, and to con-
form all writs and process from such
courts to such changes, and to repeal
all laws in conflict herewith."

Respectfully,

BOB BARKER,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Here the Chair announced that the
hour, 12 o'clock m., had arrived, which
hour had been previously fixed for the
Senate to go into executive session to
consider appointments sent to the Sen-
ate by the Governor.

The Chair, accordingly, ordered the
Chamber cleared of those not entitled to
remain.

IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

In executive session the following
confirmations were made:

S. J. Isaacks of Midland county, to
be judge of the Seventieth Judicial Dis-
trict of Texas.

William P. Brady of Reeves county,
to be district attorney of the Seventieth
Judicial District of Texas.

IN THE SENATE.

SENATE BILL NO. 129.

On motion of Senator Bryan, the pend-
ing order of business (Senate Joint
Resolution No. 1) was suspended, and
the Senate took up, out of its order,
Senate bill No. 129 by the following
vote:

Yeas—25.

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Paulus.
Brachfield.	Peeler.
Bryan.	Perkins.
Cofer.	Real.
Greer.	Stokes.
Hayter.	Sturgeon.
Holsey.	Terrell of McLennan.
Hudspeth.	Veale.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	Willacy.

Nays—1.

Murray.

Absent.

Senter.

Thomas.

Terrell of Bowie.

Absent—Excused.

Harper.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

Senate bill No. 129, A bill to be entitled "An Act for the relief of railway corporations having charters granted or amended since the first day of January, 1900, and which have failed or are about to fail to construct their roads and branches or any part thereof, within the time prescribed by law, and declaring an emergency."

(Senator Meachum in the chair.)

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Senator Holsey, the Senate adjourned until tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.

APPENDIX.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, February 3, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 154, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 642 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, as amended by Chapter 130, Acts of the Twenty-fifth Legislature, Chapter 43, Acts of the Twenty-sixth Legislature, Chapter 43 of the Twenty-seventh Legislature, and Chapter 129 of the Twenty-eighth Legislature, by amending Subdivision 61 thereof, and authorizing the formation of corporations for the construction and operation of interurban electric, gas or gasoline, denatured alcohol or naphtha motor railways, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

Brachfield, Chairman; Masterson, Perkins, Holsey, Hume, Mayfield, Murray, Bryan.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, February 3, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 68, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prohibit any corporation or receiver operating a line of railway in whole or in part in the State of Texas, or any officer, agent or representative of such corporation or receiver, to retain, maintain or establish a name on any railway station or depot in any incorporated or unincorporated town or city within this State, other than the name of the town or city, which town or city bears the name of its postoffice so given by the United States government, and providing penalties for violations of this act, and prescribing the venue of suits and prosecutions thereunder,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, with the following committee amendment:

"Section 2. That the provisions of Section 1 of this act shall not apply to two or more incorporated or unincorporated towns or cities in this State which now are situated within five miles of each other, and which each have therein established postoffice named and designated by the United States government; provided, that this act shall not apply to those cases where the postoffice name of the city, town or village or settlement is so similar in sound or otherwise to that of some other station upon such railroad as that confusion in train orders and directions may arise therefrom; and provided further, that where the name of such place is changed by the postal department of the Federal government such railway shall not be required to again change the name of its station; and provided further, that all railways having stations affected hereby shall have ninety days from and after this act becomes effective to comply therewith."

BRACHFIELD, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, February 3, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 18, A bill to be entitled "An Act declaring void the sale or trans-

fer of portions of stock of merchandise otherwise than in the ordinary course of trade in the usual and regular prosecution of the seller's or transferrer's business, and sales or transfers of entire stocks of merchandise in bulk, unless made in compliance with certain named conditions and regulations, and prescribing such conditions and regulations according to which such sales may be made valid, and declaring an emergency."

And find the same correctly engrossed.
WARD, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, February 4, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 132, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing any county in the State of Texas having a population in excess of fifty thousand inhabitants by the last preceding United States census, to submit to the qualified voters the propriety of a bond issue for the construction and maintenance of causeways, viaducts, bridges and approaches across any rivers within the limits of such county, and to provide for the construction, maintenance and use of such causeways, viaducts, bridges and approaches, and declaring an emergency."

And find the same correctly engrossed.
WARD, Chairman.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Senator Ward:

Venus, Texas, February 2, 1909.

To the Hon. Pierce B. Ward, Austin, Texas.

Dear Sir: We, your petitioners of Venus and vicinity, hereby petition you as our representative, and as a representative of the people, to use all honorable means to have the constitutional amendment providing for Statewide prohibition now pending before the Texas Legislature passed, thereby giving the people of the great commonwealth of Texas an opportunity to say whether we shall have Statewide prohibition in this State.

Numerously signed.

By Senator Mayfield:

We, the undersigned citizens of your county and district, desire to protest

against that part of the Hayter Senate bill that levies a tax of \$100 per month on wagons that sold us domestic remedies at our homes. Of course, you are aware this is not the old-fashioned "medicine peddler" affair, but these men sell us a line of domestic remedies that do not conflict with retail stores especially, and coming as they do to our homes, they are a great convenience to us, and they sell us good goods. Regulate this industry just as you would others, we suggest, but why prohibit one class and all because of the methods?

We respectfully submit the above for your consideration.

Numerously signed.

To Hon. E. B. Mayfield, Senator, and Hon. C. M. Cureton, Representative, of Texas.

Gentlemen: We, the undersigned customers of the J. R. Watkins Medicine Company of Winona, Minn., represented in Bosque county by R. A. Cornelius, agent, earnestly request that you vigorously oppose the druggists bill pending before the present Legislature as unfair and un-American. That we are fully satisfied with the Watkins plan of selling direct to us and giving us a better quality and fresh goods at the regular price of goods of like nature bought elsewhere. That he is an honorable man and contributes as much to the upbuilding of our county and pays as much taxes as any of the druggists who are opposing him in trying to have this unfair tax passed, and more than many of them under the present laws. That if you repeal the present tax governing companies of the above class, and make it \$100 per annum, instead of \$150 per annum as it now stands, it will be more fair and equitable and more to the interest and advantage of the consumers at large.

Numerously signed.

We, the undersigned citizens of Morgan, Bosque county, Texas, believing a State training school for children to be a necessity for reclaiming incorrigibles, indorse the bill providing for such an institution, as prepared by joint committees from the County Judges and Commissioners' Association of Texas and the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs, and hereby request our legislators to give the bill their immediate support.

Numerously signed.

By Senator Perkins:

Wolfe City, Texas, February 1, 1909.

Hon. Tom W. Perkins, Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas:

The undersigned citizens and business men of Wolfe City, Texas, respectfully ask that the petition of the Farmers' Improvement Society's Agricultural School, located four miles east of this city, that the diploma of the institution have the force of a first-grade certificate in this State, and that an experimental station be established at the institution and maintained by the State at a cost not to exceed \$1500 per year, receive your support.

This school has been in operation for more than two years and we can say that our observations based upon personal knowledge are as follows: It is conducted on business principles and it has been a pleasure for us to transact business with it.

The conduct of the teachers and students has been all that could be desired. We heartily wish that the entire negro population could be brought under the influence of this and similar institutions.

The purposes of the school, which are to train negro boys to better methods in agriculture and girls to improvement in domestic science while looking carefully after their character, meets with our approval.

This part of Texas is without any school for its negro population which can train them in agriculture. If agriculture is to be taught in our public schools then there should be a place to train negro teachers and this Farmers' Improvement Society's Agricultural School has been anticipating the action of the State in this respect. We believe by assisting this school in the manner herein asked, the State will do the greatest good at the smallest possible cost.

Respectfully,

TITTSWORTH LACY CO.,

And 12 other firms and business men of Wolfe City.

Senator Adams offered a petition from citizens of Comanche county against Senate bill No. 9, known as the drug bill.

By Senator Veale:

To the Members of the Thirty-first Legislature:

Having learned that there is now pending in the Lower House of the Thirty-first Legislature, a bill to establish in

the Fourth Congressional District, the Grubbs' Self-Help and Industrial College, and to locate the same at Campbell, Hunt county, and fully appreciating the necessity for such an institution for the training of the youth for the industrial as well as the intellectual activities of life, and further believing that such action on the part of the Texas Legislature would be a fitting and deserving tribute to the service freely given to the State by its founder, we most respectfully ask that you pass said bill at the earliest practical time.

Numerously signed.

Senator Terrell of McLennan offered a petition of the City Federation of Women's Clubs of Waco in behalf of a library commission bill.

We, the undersigned farmers and taxpayers of Foard county, Texas, hereby protest against the passage of Texas Senate bill No. 11, House bill No. 97, House bill No. 93, Senate bill No. 19, and particularly against the passage of Senate bill No. 9, which provides for an unjust, unreasonable and prohibitive license for itinerant venders of medicines.

As free American citizens, we wish to be able to purchase goods wherever we please and from whom we please, and which would be impossible if this bill was passed. We consider that a license for itinerant venders of medicines, etc., should not exceed \$75 per annum, in each county where the business is transacted. We therefore earnestly petition you to oppose said bills.

Numerously signed.

By Senator Holsey:

To Hon. W. R. Holsey, State Senator,
Austin, Texas:

We, the undersigned voters of the Ninth Senatorial District, residing in Navarro county, respectfully ask you to vote for statutory prohibition in case a constitutional amendment favoring State-wide prohibition is not submitted to the people by the Thirty-first Legislature.

Numerously signed.

We, the undersigned citizens of Corsicana, Texas, believing a State training school for children to be a necessity for reclaiming incorrigibles, endorse the bill providing for such an institution, as prepared by joint committees from the County Judges and Commissioners' Association of Texas and the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs, and hereby

request our legislators to give the bill their immediate support.

Numerously signed.

Senator Cofer offered a petition same as above, numerously signed by citizens of Gainesville.

By Senator Paulus:

We, the undersigned business men, taxpayers and citizens of the city of Schulenburg, Texas, respectfully urge that you use all honorable means in your power to secure such an amendment to the anti-pass law as will permit duly elected delegates of our State Firemen's Association the use of free transportation to and from our annual conventions. We not only urge that you vote for this measure when presented, but fight for its adoption, even though our Governor may veto it.

Numerously signed.

By Senator Terrell of McLennan:

Whereas, There is now pending in the Texas Legislature a proposition to submit to the voters of the State a constitutional amendment prohibiting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage; and

Whereas, Each Democrat in the Legislature is bound by his party platform to vote for the submission of the said proposition; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Fifth Sunday Meeting of Falls county, representing 2800 Baptists:

1. That we call upon our representatives, county, district and senatorial, to do everything honorable to secure the submission of the said constitutional amendment to be voted on by all qualified voters in this State.

2. That if the liquor interests succeed in defeating the submission of the said amendment, we call upon all our representatives to vote for a Statewide measure, with adequate penalties, prohibiting the sale of anything that will intoxicate, within ten miles of any schoolhouse or church in Texas.

Signed—J. H. Gambrell, Julius Rector, D. H. Boyles, Committee.

By Senator Senter:

Senator E. G. Senter, Austin, Texas:

We, the undersigned citizens of your district, respectfully and earnestly urge you to vote for and give your support to the passage of the Mayfield-Meachum bill, prohibiting pool selling, book making and wagering on horse races.

Signed by 810 citizens of the Sixth Senatorial District.

NINETEENTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas,

Friday, February 5, 1909.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment, Lieutenant Governor A. B. Davidson in the chair.

Roll call, quorum present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Adams.	Peeler.
Brachfield.	Perkins.
Bryan.	Real.
Cofer.	Senter.
Greer.	Stokes.
Hayter.	Sturgeon.
Holsey.	Terrell of McLennan.
Hudspeth.	Thomas.
Hume.	Veale.
Kellie.	Ward.
Masterson.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Weinert.
Meachum.	Willacy.
Murray.	

Absent.

Alexander.	Terrell of Bowie.
Paulus.	

Absent—Excused.

Harper.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. H. M. Sears.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday, on motion of Senator Kellie, the same was dispensed with.

REPORT OF JOINT COMMITTEE— REPORT ADOPTED.

Senator Stokes here called up the joint committee report on rules (see page 163 for report in full) and moved that the report be adopted.

The report was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Adams.	Murray.
Brachfield.	Perkins.
Bryan.	Real.
Cofer.	Stokes.
Greer.	Sturgeon.
Hayter.	Thomas.
Holsey.	Veale.
Kellie.	Ward.
Masterson.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Weinert.
Meachum.	Willacy.